

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please cancel Claims 21 and 22, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-12 – (canceled)

13 (currently amended) A method of forming packaging on a horizontal form, fill and seal machine comprising:

moving a sheet of packaging film longitudinally from a film supply to a forming box, said forming box having an open inlet end, an open outlet end, a top, opposed side walls and a pair of guide bars respectively outwardly adjacent from said side walls and extending in a downstream direction from said outlet end; and

guiding a longitudinal center portion of said packaging film ~~along~~ about the ~~interior~~ exterior of said forming box top and guiding longitudinal side marginal portions of said film ~~about~~ within said guide bars and onto a conveyor to form a product receiving film surface on said conveyor.

14. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 13 wherein said conveyor extends to a sealing station downstream of free ends of said guide bars, said forming box is inclined with respect to said conveyor with said inlet end above said outlet end, and comprising the further step of feeding product through said forming box onto said product receiving surface.

15. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 13 wherein said conveyor includes a longitudinal slit comprising the further step of feeding longitudinal edges of said packaging film marginal portions passing through said slit and sealing said longitudinal edges together to form an envelope.

16. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 13 comprising the further step of forming spaced cross seals along said envelope transversely joining a top portion of said envelope to a bottom portion of said envelope.

17. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 16 wherein product is intermittently deposited on said product receiving surface and a cross seal is formed after each deposit of product.

18. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 13 comprising, at a location between said packaging film supply and said forming box, the further step of attaching a strip of zipper to said packaging film.

19. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 18 wherein said strip of zipper is attached to said packaging film transverse to the direction of longitudinal movement of said packaging film.

20. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 18 wherein said zipper is attached to said packaging film in the direction of longitudinal movement of said packaging film.

Claims 21-22 – (canceled)